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To: All Supervisors, Criminal Prosecutions Bureau

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Re: Cook County Sheriff's Police Officer Lawrence Draus, Star# 485

Date: March 15, 2012

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As you may already know, Cook County Sheriff's Police Officer Lawrence Draus, Star# 485 has been named a defendant in a federal criminal complaint. MIS is conducting a search of CRIMES to determine whether Officer Draus is a witness on any pending felony cases. Once I have the results of that search, I will forward the results to you. If your unit does not have a computer case management system, please have your ASAs check their files and see whether they have any cases on their call where Officer Draus is a witness on a pending case. If he is a witness on the case please determine whether the case can be proved without calling him as a witness. If the case cannot be proved without calling him as a witness, please nolle the case. If the case can be proved without Officer Draus' testimony you should proceed on the case.

If you have a case where we cannot proceed without Officer Draus' testimony and the case is a violent crime, involves death or serious bodily injury, or is a case where you or your ASAs feel that the case should go forward please contact Fabio or me prior to taking any action. Also, please have your ASAs keep track of how many of Officer Draus' cases they have and how many of those cases were dismissed.

If you or your ASAs have any questions, please call me. Thank you.